

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

ATTACHMENT ^B

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: Murphy Streetscape
2. Historic name: Murphy Street
3. Street or rural address: Murphy Street
City Sunnyvale Zip _____ County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: multiple
5. Present Owner: multiple Address: _____
City _____ Zip _____ Ownership is: Public _____ Private x
6. Present Use: residential Original use: residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: bungalows, Period Revival styles
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

The Murphy Streetscape is composed of various types of bungalows and Period Revival styles. Uniform setbacks, lot sizes, and scale create a cohesive grouping but the diversive stylistic characteristics of each building lends visual vitality to the street.

Attach Photo(s) Here

8. Construction date: 1900-present
Estimated _____ Factual x
9. Architect unknown
10. Builder unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 50 Depth 100
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Sept. 1979

13. Condition: Excellent ☒ Good _____ Fair _____ Deteriorated _____ No longer in existence _____
14. Alterations: minimal exterior alterations, some altered for business purposes
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land _____ Scattered buildings _____ Densely built-up _____
Residential ☒ Industrial _____ Commercial _____ Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known _____ Private development ☒ Zoning _____ Vandalism _____
Public Works project _____ Other: traffic
17. Is the structure: On its original site? _____ Moved? _____ Unknown? ☒
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

Murphy Street was part of the original town of Encinal laid out by P.W. Murphy in 1898, and the street boasts many older homes. Though each house may not be notable individually, the streetscape is significant as an early example of a Sunnyvale neighborhood. Many of the homes have been reused as businesses, perhaps a threat to the street, but still an economically viable way to retain older structures.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture ☒ Arts & Leisure _____
Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
Government _____ Military _____
Religion _____ Social/Education _____

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

Edna Abrams, Subdivision Map from Public Works
Map "old Subs" , 1977.

22. Date form prepared Oct. 1979
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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

